SENATE BILL 49

By Finney R.

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 10, relative to motor vehicle accidents involving death.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-101(b)(2), is amended by adding the following language to the end of the subdivision:

There shall be no release eligibility for a defendant committing a violation of this subdivision after July 1, 2007. Any sentence imposed for committing a violation of this subdivision after July 1, 2007, shall be for not less than five (5) years. The person shall serve one hundred percent (100%) of the sentence imposed by the court less sentence credits earned and retained. However, no sentence reduction credits authorized by § 41-21-236, or any other provision of law, shall operate to reduce the sentence imposed by the court by more than fifteen percent (15%).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.